

Niles Notes

Mr. Thomas Murphy returned from Oakland the first of the week to his home in Niles. Mr. Murphy has been seriously ill but is slowly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Shinn and family left for Pacific Grove this afternoon. They will occupy a cottage for a couple of weeks and expect many pleasant trips over the surrounding country in their automobile.

Miss Ruth Shinn of Berkeley and Miss Carol Klee of San Luis Obispo were week end guests of Miss Millicent Shinn.

Mrs. D. Velsir is at Belvoir this week for a second visit before returning south.

Mrs. Mary Arnold, Mrs. Will Arnold, Mrs. Chas. Arnold, Mrs. G. F. Allardt, Mrs. P. D. Bates, and Miss Ada Bates, all of Oakland, are guests of Miss De Cora at Belvoir Friday and Saturday.

Miss Grace Ellis is in San Francisco this week as matron of the Centerville Order of Eastern Star, and is attending the session of the Grand Chapter which is being held in that city.

Reading club meets with Mrs. Mayhew next onday, subject being Berlin.

The Ladies Guild will meet in the lecture room of the Congregational church next Wednesday afternoon as usual - the rooms in the new church not yet being ready for use.

Miss Grace Beck and Mrs. Cutting of San Francisco spent Saturday last with their sister Mrs. E. B. Tyson. Miss Beck leaves soon for a trip to the Eastern states.

Miss Orbie Smith of Newark and Miss Grace Larson of Oakland visited last Tuesday last with Mrs. Harry Green.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Coulter expect to leave Niles about the first of November and take up their new residence in Piedmont, where they are building a handsome home.

Mr. Harry Green in the employ of the San Luis Obispo Bridge Building company writes from that business is booming. He does not expect to return to Niles until after the new year.

Mr. Harrison Snyder of U. C. is home for the week-end.

Miss Helen Sharpe spent Saturday at her home. Miss Sharpe is now a senior at the San Jose normal.

The public school has been closed this week and the teachers have all been in attendance at the teachers institute held in Oakland.

Miss Olive Tyson of San Francisco is a visitor this week at the home of her aunt Mrs. Ben Tyson.

Mr. Wm. Ptolemy of Springfield was a recent guest of his old friend and chum Mr. James Easterday.

Miss Rich, one of the county probation officers was up a few days ago from Oakland looking after the work at Newark, and took lunch with Mrs. W. H. Tyson as the guest of her son, Mr. Robert Tyson.

The Bridge Club will resume meetings for the winter's play on Tuesday next, Oct. 24th, at the home of Mrs. H. A. Mayhew.

The weather of the past week has been one of the warmest spells of the summer. Monday the mercury registered 90, Tuesday 90, Wednesday 93 and Thursday 95. The heat accompanied with a drying north wind has caused foliage to turn crisp and fall covering the ground and with the fast shortening days summer will soon be ended—but summer's last gasp has been with heated breath.

Trinity Guild met last Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Ben Tyson, the attendance numbering seventeen. The secretary's minutes of former meetings were read and approved, followed by a discussion of plans for an afternoon reception by the Guild. Before closing, needle work was laid aside for the enjoyment of ice cream, cakes and coffee, served by the hostess. The next meeting follows in two weeks at the home of Mrs. W. H. Tyson.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Mosher and Hunt have been in Oakland this week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mosher who have just returned from a trip East, having visited in Chicago, Boston, Philadelphia, New York, Washington, Hagerstown, Maryland and Montreal and Quebec in Canada. On their return home they came by the way of the Grand Canyon in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Moore and children are returned from their outing at Capitola.

Mr. D. M. Connor, a former resident of Niles, was a recent guest of his sister-in-law Mrs. L. Babb.

The Rummage sale held recently by the Ladies Guild of the Congregational Church netted about \$20.

The first shipment of trees for this season from the California Nursery went out over the Southern Pacific last week, being two car-loads sent to Los Angeles.

Mrs. M. S. Gregg and son Paul Ross have returned to their home after a two weeks' visit with Mrs. Cour vesir.

Mrs. L. A. Nesler is visiting with relatives in Sonoma.

Mr. L. A. Nesler left last week for Auburn, Placer County, where he has a contract for setting up a number of pieces of work in the Auburn cem-

NILES CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The regular meeting of the Niles Chamber of Commerce last Tuesday was well attended and much business was transacted. Considerable time was given over to the adoption of the new constitution and by-laws.

A committee consisting of Messrs G. F. Sullivan, J. E. Jacobus, and J. B. Barnard was appointed to arrange for the proper reception and entertainment of the representatives of the Associated Chamber of Commerce which is to meet in Niles on Wednesday evening, November 1.

The matter of enforcing the ordinance requiring the removal of rubbish on the streets and alleys was discussed at considerable length and on motion the health officer was requested to enforce the ordinance immediately. According to instructions from the District Attorney's office the roadmaster is responsible for the streets and the health officer for the alleys.

A committee consisting of Messrs. Sneden, Barnard and Ellis was appointed to interview the Supervisor and request that the streets of the town under the jurisdiction of the roadmaster be swept at least once a week and the waste matter carted away.

The attention of the Chambers was called to the extremely dangerous condition of the crossing near the post office when cars are backed down the track. The Secretary was instructed to again ask the railroad company that when this is being done that one of the train crew be stationed at the crossing to warn passers by. Objection was also raised to the leaving of cars at night in such a way as to partially block the street.

The prospect of having an electric road for the township in the near future was also discussed and it was the sense of the meeting that the Key Route people be assured of the hearty cooperation of the organization in every way.

MEETING TO TAKE ACTION ON WATER QUESTION

A meeting of the citizens and property owners of Washington Township will be called in the near future to consider the relation of the various water companies to the future welfare of this township. If the people of Washington Township expect to enter a protest against the complete absorption of our water supply and have their opinion go to Washington along with the data to be presented to the department of the Interior, by the city of San Francisco they will have to act with great promptness. San Francisco is trying to show the necessity of Hetch Hetchy to meet the future needs of the bay section and we should supplement their efforts by showing the great danger that threatens our township's future prosperity if the various cities about the Bay shall be allowed to depend upon Washington and Pleasanton townships for their increased supply.

Let every property owner who has the welfare of our township at heart attend this meeting. Due notice will be given of the meeting.

NILES LADIES TO HEED EXAMPLE OF LIVERMORE

The Ladies of Niles have been reading what the Ladies of Livermore have just been doing in their town and feel that those ladies have set a worthy example. So a number are considering a yearly "clean up" day. This would not mean that the men are excluded but rather invited to assist and later join in a banquet which the ladies will have in readiness when the day's work shall have been completed.

The children will also be asked to join in the happy time.

Stop For a Minute, Young Man And consider that we have in our office scores of letters from prominent business houses on the Pacific Coast asking for trained young men, and we can't fill the positions because we haven't enough young men who can fill them! Prepare yourself to step into one of them. We'll tell you how.

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etery. Mr. Nesler's work is of such a satisfactory type that one piece of work done in any community brings other contracts.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths of Stockton have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Cesari for the past two weeks, having driven down in their survey.

The Niles Free Library is a growing attraction in our little town. New cards are being issued each week and the library becoming more useful as it gets older. The other branch libraries are all doing well and the people of the township are more and more appreciative of this splendid opportunity that is theirs.

The editor of the Press has been attending Teachers' Institute this week and left on Friday morning for Placer County, to remain over Sunday.

Condemnation Suits are Threatened

It is currently reported that the Spring Valley Co. is threatening to bring suit to condemn certain property at Pleasanton which its agents Donahue and Gale, have so far been unable to buy.

The rumor is scarcely to be credited but if it has been quietly getting out it is only for the purpose of bluffing those who so far have refused to sell. There are plenty of lawyers who are willing to contest such a suit.

While undoubtedly it would be wiser from a financial standpoint for the individual owner to sell at a tempting price than to endure the harassment which this all powerful corporation might inflict, still we would like to see some hardy citizen enter the lists with the Spring Valley and let the matter go to the test. We venture the prediction that if such a case is brought, there will be other than Pleasanton people who will take an active interest in the case.

One of the grim humors of the Spring Valley situation in Alameda County politics today is the fact that while Henry Dalton is in the jute mill in San Quentin for offering to reduce the assessment of the Spring Valley Company, the District Attorney, Wm. H. Donahue, who helped to make sure his conviction and removal from office is at the present moment acting as the Company's land agent at Pleasanton.

The Sierra Water Supply

The following extract from the testimony of J. H. Dockweiler on the water question will prove of interest to our readers. In view of the fact that greatly increased activity at present is being shown by the various water companies, the matter in Mr. Dockweiler's testimony will be particularly interesting. Next week we will present an outline of a proposed solution of this great question.

As long ago as August 6th, 1877, the late Colonel George H. Mendel, Engineer Corps, U. S. A., has the following to say relative to the Sierra Nevada Mountains as a source of water supply: "It would be difficult to imagine a drainage ground for city water supply, which would strike the eye in a more favorable way than do the western flanks of the Sierra Nevada, from a lower limit in altitude of three or four thousand feet, to the summit ridge which lies at a height varying from 7,000 to 9,000 feet, overtopped at intervals by snowy peaks, which rise two or three thousand feet above the general level of the dividing ridge."

Referring to advantages, he says: "They consist in the certainty of the supply and the quality of the water. Whatever may be said in criticism of the quality of water derived from any other source proposed for your consideration, no charge of impurity can be brought against water derived from the Sierra. The country is uninhabited for the most part and must always so remain. There are no influences, present or prospective, which can effect the quality of the water unfavorably."

Necessity for this supply was further set forth by the same engineer when as President of the Board of Public Works of the city of San Francisco, in a report of said Board, dated August 1st, 1902, he states the following: "The great revival which is upon us in all lines of business, the expansion in commerce with Asia and the islands of the Pacific Ocean now begun, the development in manufacturing interests attendant upon new and quickened commerce, with necessarily increased population, bring into importance local duties in the way of accommodation for new interests and involve operations calling for attention more or less immediate, which under previous conditions could have been deferred for years."

There is not an engineer who has examined the water problem but does not award the palm to the Sierras. While the cities in the neighborhood of San Francisco bay were small it was not practicable, owing to the expense to go to the Sierras, and the nearby sources produced good water because of the sparsely settled communities in this neighborhood. But as the cities grew, the country likewise grew, and the danger of pollution increased. This dan-

ger is becoming more pronounced, as the population is bound to make inroads upon the watersheds. Large areas of ground from which part of San Francisco's water is now drawn are at present populated, and in the near future, are bound to be so. From an economic standpoint, it is not advisable to purchase, say some 400 square miles of watershed, out of a total of 600, which constitute the entire watershed of Alameda Creek at Sunol diverting dam, from which point a pipe line brings the water to San Francisco, in order to control the same and extinguish human activity and habitation therein. Owing to its comparative nearness to large centers of population, the danger of pollution is a positive one. Every one recognizes the fact, how hard it is to keep people out of a nearby watershed.

Another view of the question: In the very nature of things the present watershed lands are bound to increase in value, and increased value means increased taxes, so that the expense of protecting the watershed will increase in the future.

Again, it is against economics to hold lands which could be used for other purposes, such as farming, etc., and the water which falls upon it, if applied for irrigation purposes could still be gathered, stored and distributed, whilst the land is put to use. It certainly is a mistake, in this State, where water is King, and its scarcity is recognized, to deprive lands adjacent to the bay and the dense centers of population by diverting the water to the city's use, which, if applicable to the land, would build up a prosperous husbandry in a section where water transportation by means of the bay would enable the cheap carriage of products to the cities, and a consequent saving to the community, in being able to purchase these products more cheaply, owing to nearness of market and cheapness of freight.

On the other hand, the Tuolumne project in the Sierra Nevada mountains is located in a position which can never be in danger from human activity and inhabitation. The very nature of the ground and its configuration assure that, likewise the climatic conditions, and in connection therewith, remains the fact, that for only one-third of the year, is its watershed accessible to the venturesome traveller. The steep slopes of the mountains and the granitic character of the same, forever preclude the possibility of human activity. The entire 639 square miles of watershed or gathering ground, must forever remain a gathering ground; except here and there a meadow, which is generally the site of a future storage reservoir. Apart from these storage sites, there is no land susceptible to cultivation.

Those 639 square miles are made up as follows: Cherry Creek 103 square miles; Lake Eleanor 84 square miles and Hetch Hetchy Valley 452 square miles. The Tuolumne project puts its watershed to the only use for which the lands comprising it are fitted or can be adapted, whilst the present sources are constantly crying, "keep out and keep off", to those who might use them for other purposes.

Office of Game Warden

Its Use and Its Abuse.

After a week's delay to determine the legal status of the Justice of the Peace, by order of the Deputy District Attorney, Phil Carey, the third chapter of one of the most disgraceful and ridiculous prosecutions carried on by the office of State Game Warden Downing, came to a sudden close.

The case of the people vs Mr. W. Catterlin in which Mr. Catterlin was charged with violating the game law came up in Judge Ferreira's court in Niles. P. Carey, of the District Attorney's office, appeared for the people and Judge T. J. Power for the defendant.

After the prosecution had put on their case and submitted their evidence, it was very clear to the Deputy District Attorney Carey and also to the Court that there was no evidence to hold the defendant, therefore the Deputy District Attorney requested the Court to instruct the jury to dismiss the case.

The office of State Game Warden is maintained by the people for the enforcement of the game laws. And yet, our State Game Warden, Mr. Downing, has allowed that office to be used for political prosecutions as was clearly shown in the case just dismissed.

Now Mr. Downing would like the public to believe that he is really zealous in enforcing the game laws. He said that he would prosecute ALL violators of the law, be they friends or foes, and yet no arrests have been made except those of Catterlin and Dassel. He allows to go free several cases, which from his own words he has caught red handed.

Immediately after his dismissal, Mr. Catterlin accused Mr. Downing of insincerity, and then personally conducted Mr. Downing to a half dozen citizens in Niles, who gave testimony showing Mr. Downing that the game laws had been flagrantly violated. Mr. Downing was then challenged to make arrests but - the quality of his sincerity remains to be seen—for the violators are his friends.

Spouse Does Not Recover Colt

The case of W. Anderson vs. W. B. Kirk of Niles was tried before Judge Ferreira in Decoto last Tuesday, October 17 and the case was decided in favor of the defendant, Mr. Kirke. Recently, Mr. Kirke purchased a colt from Mrs. Anderson for \$250. Mr. Anderson brought suit against Mr. Kirke to recover the animal claiming that it was his and not his wife's property. At the trial however, it was shown through the testimony of several witnesses that Mr. Anderson had always spoken of the mare and her colt as the property of his wife. The only evidence the plaintiff put forth was as to the value of the animal. Mr. Anderson has the cost of the suit on his hands.

Interest Shown in Patterson Land

J. E. Jacobus announces a growing number of inquiries regarding Patterson Irrigated Farms. The announcement that land in this famous irrigation district would be offered in this section at a very reasonable figure, has served to bring out requests for information from several near by points.

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Midnight Blaze

About 12:30 Friday morning, the residents of Niles were alarmed by the ringing of bells and the call of "Fire!" Within five minutes after the alarm had been given, the Niles volunteer firemen were at the fire which proved to be in Connors hotel. In some unknown manner, the wash room at the rear of the main building had caught fire and had it not been for the heroic efforts of the men and the excellent water supply and force of that supply, the whole of Main street and possibly more, would have been in ashes. Not only Mr. and Mrs. Connors, but the entire community are sincerely grateful to these volunteers.

The damage done is covered by insurance.

Decoto

Mrs. Armstrong and children of Eureka are the guests of Mrs. Armstrong's brother, Mr. Harry Seales.

P. S. Johnson is now a commuter from San Francisco. Until recently Mr. Johnson and family occupied the Johnson cottage, but owing to Mrs. Johnson's poor health, they have given up house keeping for the present.

Mr. A. H. Bush is in Decoto this week looking after repairs on his hotel property.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gober are in Healdsburg where Mr. Gober has employment. Mrs. Gober is the guest of friends in Healdsburg and will remain for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Crane went to Sacramento in their auto today.

Miss Zaldee Whipple is at home and will remain for some time with her folks here.

OKLAND LODGE No. 188 AT MASONIC HOME

The Masonic Home was the scene of a very happy gathering on Saturday evening of last week. At four o'clock in the afternoon, the members of Oakland Lodge No. 188, with their ladies and friends arrived by special train. Luncheon was served in the dining room, after which the members of the lodge and their families. At 7 p. m. a very delightful program was carried out under the direction of Thos. J. Miller, W. M. of Oakland Lodge. The following is the excellent program:

Piano Solo by Miss Louise Eschbacher; Tenor Solo by Mr. Walkenshaw; Bass Solo, Mr. Jas. Carter; Stereopticon lecture on "Japan," Mr. R. Wheeler; Solo, Mr. R. Munsell; Quartette, Messrs. Walkenshaw, Carter, Skimmings and Munsell.

A delegation of members from Golden Gate Lodge of San Francisco and a number of ladies enjoyed a basket luncheon at Palm Grove on Sunday, October 15. Fruits and coffee were served the guests by the management. After luncheon, three beautiful flags were presented to the home by M. W. S. Moses, who on behalf of Golden Gate Lodge expressed the deep interest that that body felt in the welfare and success of the home. Superintendent Hartman accepted the tokens on behalf of the residents. Addresses were made by Mrs. Mary Noble and others.

HALLOWE'EN SOCIAL AT IRVINGTON LIBRARY

Come one, come all to the Halloween Dime Social to be given by the Irvington Ladies Aid Society, Tuesday evening, October 31st.

The committee is preparing games appropriate to the season, and one's future husband or wife MAY be discovered—who knows?

Remember time - October 31st; place, Library rooms, Irvington. Ice cream and cake will be on sale.

A DOLL BAZAAR IN CENTERVILLE, NOV. 4

The Town Hall Association will give a Doll Sale on November 4th. The ladies are planning a beautiful display of miniature children, babies or ladies as the case may be, with everything pertaining to them. There will be beds, and boxes and trunks, furs and necklaces - indeed, everything that children so dearly love. There will be refreshments. A delicious sale of good things will also be on hand. And it is rumored that if it can be arranged, there will be a social dance. If this be the case, excellent music will be on hand and will be announced in our next.

Justices of the Peace Will Retain Office

As a result of the adoption of one of the amendments, it was feared that the Justices of the Peace had been legislated out of office. An opinion rendered by Attorney General Webb this week set the matter at rest and the judges will serve out the remainder of their terms. As a result there will no longer be any need of holding up cases for fear of legal results.

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For President Robert M. LaFollette

A year and a half ago the Press raised its flag for LaFollette. He may not be nominated for the presidency, but he ought to be. We are for LaFollette.

The Candidacy of LaFollette

That a determined effort will be made by progressive Republicans of the nation to bring about the nomination of Robert M. LaFollette for the presidency was practically settled this week. A conference of representative progressive Republicans from twenty states met in Chicago this week and formally endorsed La Follette for president. The full significance of this action will be apparent within the next few months. In spite of the efforts of the San Francisco Call and its frazzled out political editor, George Van Smith, it is almost certain that California's delegation to the national republican convention will be for LaFollette. While President Taft has been given a cordial reception in California during his recent visit, the action of the voters of the State in carrying the recall for judges by over 100,000 ma-

jority has given unmistakable evidence that the voters of the State do not approve of the political policies of the president. We have received him with due courtesy and in a manner befitting his high office. There has been no enthusiasm, however, to encourage the hope of the reactionary element of the party that California might be weaned away from its progressive tendencies. The election on October 10 certainly demonstrated beyond all doubt that California is intensely progressive. The leadership of Governor Johnson is unquestioned. It is not surprising that LaFollette is strong in California. He typifies the movement against the system of bossism which California has so thoroughly repudiated. His whole career has been a consistent fight for the rights of the people. He is the embodiment of insurgency and will sweep California stronger than the recall movement if the question is put up to the voters next Spring.

The Vote on Amendments

The analysis of the vote on the amendments in the various precincts in this supervisorial district ought to afford food for reflection to those who are apt to draw political conclusions therefrom. Alvarado, Decoto and Niles gave positive majorities for the recall. Centerville which voted against nearly all the other amendments gave the recall a majority. This was due to the special efforts of a few insurgent republicans. Mission San Jose reversed her previous record and voted progressive. Newark voted for the recall. Warm Springs voted against it by a small majority. In Murray township the recall carried by a good majority. The most notable repudiation of the administration amendments was in Pleasanton. This is particularly so when we realize that Pleasanton is considered the political chateau of the recognized leaders of this district. In spite of the presence of District Attorney Donahue at Pleasanton for many days preceding election, the main precinct tied on the recall and the outside precinct tal-

WOMEN MAY REGISTER

Women who are eligible to vote may register at any time. It will not do much good, however, as the ladies will have to register again after the first of the year for the new great register. The editor of the Press had the pleasure of seeing a lady voter registered in the County Clerk's office last Wednesday. It was not just such a sight as some of our anti-suffrage people would imagine. A young married couple came into the registration department, the husband carrying in his arms the baby. They were a quiet and sensible looking young couple and the young husband seemed to be very proud to have his wife registered. It seemed quite appropriate to us, this group, the father, the mother and the child. That woman's ballot, we venture to assert will be cast as far as she is able to determine for the future welfare of her child.

PRINCIPALS' CLUB TO MEET MONDAY

The Principals' Club of Washington Township will meet next Monday evening at the Union High School at Centerville. The relation of the work of various grammar schools in agriculture and manual training to this same class of work in the high school will be discussed. It has been suggested by the department of Agriculture of the University of California, that Mr. Zeidler to the High School be asked to cooperate with the elementary schools of the township in the agricultural work. The Principals' Club now has the active support of all the principals of the township and expects also to have the cooperation of the men in the High School. The organization promises to become a very useful factor in promoting a closer relation between the elementary schools and the High School.

ENTERTAINMENT AND DANCE MAPLE HALL NOVEMBER 11

The ladies of Orient Chapter, No. 177, Order of Eastern Star, are making elaborate preparations for an entertainment and dance to be given on Saturday evening, NOVEMBER 11 at MAPLE HALL, IRVINGTON. The ladies have already given two card tournaments which have proven beyond any question that what they undertake will be crowned with success. The program will be rendered largely by parties from the City who are not amateurs in the line of music and song and an especially well prepared program will be presented. The

NILES CONGREGATIONAL The regular services will be held in the Niles Congregational church next Sunday. Sunday school at 10:00 a. m., preaching by the pastor at 11, evening service at 7:45. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7:30. Queens of Avilon meet on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. V. Jones.

dance will not be merely an afterthought but will be made a feature of the evening. The best music will be in readiness. The public is cordially invited to attend. The price for both the entertainment and dance is 50 cents.

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No. 8 STOCKTON ONLY - 6:38 p. m.
No. 4 OVERLAND - - - 7:50 p. m.

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On Tuesday a number of local people went with Mr. Hawes, of the Centerville Realty company in the auto of the Mutual Realty company to Patterson, the new alfalfa land just opened up in the San Joaquin valley. The place is found to be even better than it is advertised. Mr. Woods of the Mutual Realty company went with the party. Another trip will be made by the auto next Sunday.

Public school has been closed all this week on account of the Teachers' Institute.

The sixth Grand Ball by Council No. 19 U. P. P. E. C. will be given in the Town Hall this Saturday evening, Oct. 21. Good music will be furnished. Admission is 50 cents for gentlemen, ladies free.

E. Coney and wife of San Francisco were visitors at the home of J. A. Coney this week.

Sylvia brothers are starting their new building next to the new Masonic temple.

Mrs. W. E. Rogers and daughter Salome have spent the week in the city.

The Masonic temple is progressing very rapidly, the outside being about completed.

W. E. Rogers spent the week and in the city and saw President Taft break ground for the work of the World's Fair, in San Francisco.

Mrs. Gregory left for the east on Wednesday with Ernest and Henry Hawk, who are to stay with relatives there.

John A. Boyne has received a new Rambler automobile as a gift from a friend.

Dried apricots are being shipped in large quantities from Centerville

and the price paid for them is 14c to 15c a pound.

An alarm bell has been installed by the Southern Pacific company at the railroad crossing in town.

A delightful meeting of the St. James Guild was held at Mrs. C. Emerson's this week. A busy afternoon was spent trying to fill the many orders on hand for useful and ornamental articles.

During the afternoon, delicious refreshments were served. Mrs. Stead gave a most interesting talk on locating land and her life in Montana. The next meeting will be with Miss L. Emerson.

Mrs. Ella Lodner and Miss Mary McClellan of Lodner, B. C. were guests at Sycamore Farm this week.

Mrs. Lodner will remain for some time but Miss Mary sailed on the Manchuria Tuesday to be gone three or four months. She will go to Manila and cruise among the Islands and finally visit Java before returning.

Mrs. T. C. Huxley and family have been at Pacific Grove for the past week.



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Alvarado

Mrs. E. Foley entertained Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Tainton, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ralph and Mrs. May Threlfall at dinner Tuesday evening.

Mrs. E. A. Richmond Jr. and Mrs. Joyce spent Tuesday in San Francisco.

Mr. Will Richmond and family of the City spent Sunday at the Richmond home.

The Butt Inns met with Mrs. E. Farley on Tuesday afternoon.

Russel Robie was quail hunting the first of the week. The party got the limit.

Ducks seem to be plentiful on the marshes here, but as yet no great numbers have been bagged.

Mr. P. G. Lowrie met with a very painful accident this week, his hand being crushed under a stone crusher.

Mr. and Mrs. Farley Granger and family and Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Harvey and family left this week for a short stay at Monterey.

Mrs. M. Edwards is visiting Mrs. E. A. Richmond, Sr.

Mr. E. Farley reports quail plentiful about Alvarado.

The Robie cottage is about completed.

The work done on the bridges here has made a decided improvement.

Mrs. H. Vanderpeer and family are at the ranch during the vacation.

Mrs. George Beebe Jr. left for her home in Lakeport on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. H. Ralph spent Wednesday at her mother's, Mrs. P. G. Lowrie.

Mr. and Mrs. Beck and daughter of family.

Mr. George Althaus has returned Livermore are visiting the Nautert from a few days visit in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Forbes spent Saturday and Sunday at the Robie home in Alvarado.

Miss Lulu Lang and Mrs. George Lang returned Saturday from a week's trip to Spreckles.

A. Shavoz was in town Tuesday visiting with several old friends.

Jack Atkinson and family stopped in town Tuesday while on the way to San Jose, where they will spend a week.

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Irvington

The Wild West Show at Irvington Sunday attracted over a thousand visitors to Irvington. The streets were crowded and by the time that the performance was called for, the little town, had lost its air of quiet and peacefulness and had assumed the appearance of a lively little city. One almost thought that he was living again the early days in California when the performance was witnessed.

The show was advertised to give a full program of Broncho busting, Bull riding and Trick riding by a number of champions in these lines. The big audience was not disappointed. An especial feature was the marriage of Miss Ward and Mr. Bernal of San Jose. Seated on horseback and in typical costumes these young people were united in marriage by Justice of the Peace Sandholt. Very soon after the ceremony, Mrs. Bernal proved herself a courageous young lady for she swung her lariat just in time to rescue her young husband from being gored by a vicious bull upon which he had been riding. Her lariat caught the animal in such a way as to throw it and it was soon under the control of a number of the men.

The free barbecue given by Mr. Ed. Roderick was well patronized.

While loading prunes on a car last week, Mr. Carson was hit by a falling box and had two ribs broken. He is doing nicely.

Mr. Hirsch is having a new shingled roof put on the rink.

Mrs. Carson is here from San Francisco on a visit to her son.

Mrs. J. Smith has sold her Irvington property to Mr. Frank Vargas.

L. Hamilton spent a few days this week in Oakland.

Mrs. Peterson and daughter, Miss Ellen, spent the week-end in Oakland.

A number of our local people saw President Taft break the ground for the 1915 Fair in San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Tierney have been the guests of Mrs. Nellis recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Knudsen attended the Apple Carnival at Watsonville last week.

Clarence Laughlin of Milbrae has been spending a week in Irvington during his vacation.

Tony Rose returned to Irvington on Tuesday of this week after a six weeks' trip to Oxnard, near Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson motored to San Jose and back on Wednesday.

TAX COLLECTOR TO BE IN CENTERVILLE OCT. 23.
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**The Vote on Amendments
in Washington Township**

The Amend- ments	Alvarado		Centerville		Decoto		Irvington		Mission San Jose		Newark		Niles		Warm Springs	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
1	42	7	48	51	39	18	40	31	26	8	39	10	69	52	20	23
2	35	10	29	65	32	27	33	33	23	7	27	22	56	57	16	25
3	30	14	23	72	39	26	31	38	19	12	28	18	46	64	14	25
4	27	32	31	96	36	40	33	52	6	45	32	38	50	94	12	36
5	33	12	30	58	32	18	36	33	21	9	27	16	55	51	15	24
6	28	14	28	56	29	23	29	35	13	14	23	22	37	61	15	27
7	36	10	37	57	39	25	43	33	24	11	37	16	75	48	21	23
8	45	8	58	57	43	19	43	37	23	19	50	11	74	48	21	23
9	37	11	51	42	38	22	39	32	23	7	37	11	68	67	23	21
10	35	14	41	56	37	22	42	27	22	10	36	9	57	64	21	23
11	32	12	33	53	29	23	29	36	17	13	28	13	52	52	19	23
12	32	15	37	54	33	26	36	31	20	10	28	10	45	52	23	20
13	28	12	30	59	30	23	33	35	20	8	36	9	46	57	17	27
14	23	16	31	58	24	27	30	34	20	9	29	13	44	54	18	21
15	37	6	56	41	34	24	41	25	26	11	37	11	68	52	26	18
16	29	14	30	65	29	23	33	38	23	9	28	15	54	55	23	20
17	29	11	35	55	30	22	33	30	16	11	30	10	45	59	18	23
18	17	23	24	77	23	33	25	45	13	17	31	22	39	68	16	27
19	22	22	28	67	28	30	32	32	9	22	30	24	60	55	14	29
20	29	14	28	62	32	21	29	36	20	8	27	16	45	61	18	26
21	31	11	45	46	40	17	41	30	18	10	36	8	60	49	21	23
22	23	22	31	60	23	30	29	37	10	22	25	22	36	67	17	26
23	30	14	44	50	33	24	42	31	25	8	30	10	63	47	18	26

	Alvarado	Centerville	Decoto	Irvington	Newark	Niles	Mission San Jose	Warm Springs
Total number of votes polled	64	153	85	89	77	157	56	50

**The Vote on Amendments in Murray
and Pleasanton Townships**

THE VOTE FOR AND AGAINST ON AMENDMENTS 4, 7 and 8 (4, Suffrage; 7, Initiative and Referendum, and 8, Recall.)

Amador	No. 4	Yes 8	No 29	Sunol	No. 4	Yes 14	No 28
	No. 7	Yes 17	No 16		No. 7	Yes 24	No 15
	No. 8	Yes 16	No 18		No. 8	Yes 29	No 11
Pleasanton	No. 4	Yes 26	No 85	Dublin	No. 4	Yes 2	No 19
	No. 7	Yes 42	No 55		No. 7	Yes 4	No 13
	No. 8	Yes 51	No 51		No. 8	Yes 13	No 8
Livermore (1)	No. 4	Yes 30	No 62	Murray (1)	No. 4	Yes 12	No 19
	No. 7	Yes 40	No 39		No. 7	Yes 10	No 14
	No. 8	Yes 48	No 38		No. 8	Yes 15	No 13
Livermore (2)	No. 4	Yes 26	No 60	Murray (2)	No. 4	Yes 21	No 28
	No. 7	Yes 45	No 28		No. 7	Yes 27	No 10
	No. 8	Yes 49	No 29		No. 8	Yes 30	No 10

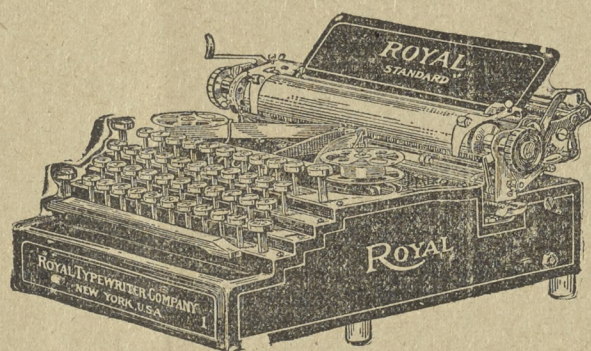
	Amador	Pleasanton	Dublin	Sunol	Livermore 1	Livermore 2	Murray 1	Murray 2	Altamont
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WHEREAS, The Spring Valley Water Company is daily diverting from this county to San Francisco upward of 16,000,000 gallons of water, and is preparing to greatly increase this amount; and

WHEREAS, The People's Water Company is taking from Washington Township alone 6,000,000 gallons of water daily for the use of Oakland and its environs, and is continually being forced to increase this amount; and,

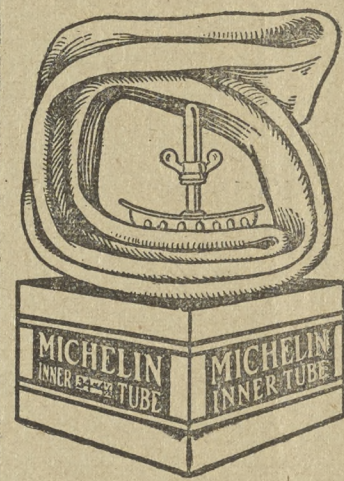
WHEREAS, The absorption of such a vast amount of water from this fertile agricultural section is an unwarranted economic waste and most seriously threatens the future prosperity of Alameda County; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we, the people of Alameda County, believe that steps should be taken by the cities of San Francisco, Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda to secure their supply of water from the Sierra Nevada Mountains; and that vigorous steps should at once be taken by Alameda County to stop any further drainage of its fruitful lands; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the whole County of Alameda should become the possessor of both the Spring Valley and the People's Water Co.'s water rights and lands situated in Alameda County, whether by purchase, condemnation or otherwise, to the end that when an adequate Sierra water supply shall have been obtained for the cities about the Bay of San Francisco, the lands now held by these companies in Alameda County, and the water now being diverted therefrom, shall be restored to the people of Alameda County for their use; and, be it further

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